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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number	09/303,315
Filing Date	04/30/1999
First Named Inventor	Eugene S. Pearman
Art Unit	1631
Examiner Name	CLOW, LORI A
Attorney Docket Number	104.002

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

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a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked. *12/6/04*

i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
ii. Other Interview Summary

b. Enclosed

i. Amendment/Reply iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. Other Courtesy Telephone Re: Advisory Action

2. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
b. Other

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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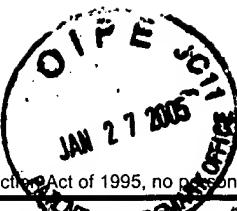
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Effect of PTO-2038-004:

Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R.

FEET TRANSMITTAL for FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ **\$150.00**)

Complete if Known

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Art Unit	CLOW, LORI A.
Attorney Docket No.	104.002

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	\$150.00
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Small Entity	
Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
50	25
200	100
360	180

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Multiple Dependent Claims

Total Claims	Extra	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
_____	- 20 or HP =	_____ x \$25.00	= \$0.00	_____	_____

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims	Extra	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
_____	- 3 or HP =	_____ x \$100.00	= \$0.00

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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listing under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
85	- 100 = -15	/ 50 0 (round up to a whole)	x \$125.00	= \$0.00

4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g. late filing surcharge): _____

SUBMITTED BY

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